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The proposed settlement does nothing to alleviate, cure,or otherwise restrict Microsoft's rapacious, aggressive and continuous attempts--largely successful, alas--to control most areas of commonly used software. It essentially guts the proceedings brought against the most egregious monopoly since Andrew Carnegie et al were thundering through the American economic landscape. I urge the court to reject the settlement.

Sincerely,

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